

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A holder suitable for holding name badges, comprising:

(a) a platform formed of a single sheet of thin, flexible, thermoformed plastic material, the platform including a top wall, the top wall having an exterior peripheral edge and the top wall comprising a plurality of integrally formed receptacles disposed below the top wall, each receptacle comprising

(1) a peripheral edge having a width and a length and defining a slot in the top wall;

(2) a first receptacle wall extending down from the top wall along a first edge of the peripheral edge to a first depth below the top wall;

(3) a second receptacle wall extending down from the top wall along a second edge of the peripheral edge to a second depth below the top wall, the second depth less than or equal to the first depth; and

(4) a bottom connecting the first receptacle wall to the second receptacle wall, the width defined by the distance across the slot between the first receptacle wall and the second receptacle wall, the length defined by the distance across the slot in the direction perpendicular to the width;

(b) a cover formed of the single sheet of thin, flexible, thermoformed plastic material, the cover comprising

(1) a ceiling;

(2) a cover support integrally formed with the ceiling and extending downward from the ceiling to form an opening with a cover interior peripheral edge generally matching the exterior peripheral edge of the top wall; and

(3) a cover flange integrally formed with the cover support and extending outward from the cover support; and

(4) a reinforcement rib extending from a first edge of the ceiling to a second edge of the ceiling, the second edge opposed to the first edge; and

(c) a hinge, the cover flange integrally formed with the platform along the hinge whereby the cover can be swung from an open position to a closed position about the hinge.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Original) The holder of claim 1 wherein cut score lines extend partially through the thickness of the hinge to easily detach the cover from the platform along the hinge.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) The holder of claim 3 wherein for each receptacle the first receptacle wall has an integrally formed first protrusion to narrow the width at the first protrusion.

6. (Original) The holder of claim 5 wherein for each receptacle the second receptacle wall has an integrally formed second protrusion to narrow the width at the second protrusion.

7. (Original) The holder of claim 6 wherein the first protrusion and the second protrusion narrow the width at a common distance along the length.

8. (Original) The holder of claim 7 wherein the common distance is at a midpoint of the length.

9. (Original) The holder of claim 7 wherein the common distance is offset from the midpoint by one-quarter of the length.

10. (Original) The holder of claim 9 wherein for each receptacle the first receptacle wall has an integrally formed third protrusion at a distance offset from the midpoint by one-quarter of the length on the side of the midpoint opposite that of the first protrusion and the second receptacle wall has an integrally formed fourth protrusion at a distance offset from the midpoint by one-quarter of the length on the side of the midpoint opposite that of the second protrusion.

11. (Currently Amended) A holder suitable for holding name badges, comprising:

(a) a platform formed of a single sheet of thin, flexible, thermoformed plastic material, the platform including a top wall, the top wall having a generally rectangular shaped exterior peripheral edge and the top wall comprising a plurality of integrally formed receptacles disposed below the top wall, each receptacle comprising

(1) a peripheral edge having a width and a length and defining a slot in the top wall;

(2) a first receptacle wall extending down from the top wall along a first edge of the peripheral edge to a first depth below the top wall;

(3) a second receptacle wall extending down from the top wall along a second edge of the peripheral edge to a second depth below the top wall, the second depth less than or equal to the first depth; and

(4) a bottom connecting the first receptacle wall to the second receptacle wall, the width defined by the distance across the slot between the first receptacle wall and the second receptacle wall, the length defined by the distance across the slot in the direction perpendicular to the width;

(b) a cover formed of the single sheet of thin, flexible, thermoformed plastic material, the cover comprising

(1) a generally rectangular ceiling;

- (2) a front cover wall integrally formed with the ceiling and descending downward in a generally perpendicular direction from the ceiling;
- (3) a right cover wall integrally formed with the front cover wall and the ceiling and descending downward in a generally perpendicular direction from the ceiling;
- (4) a back cover wall integrally formed with the right cover wall and the ceiling and descending downward in a generally perpendicular direction from the ceiling;
- (5) a left cover wall integrally formed with the back cover wall, the front cover wall, and the ceiling and descending downward in a generally perpendicular direction from the ceiling; **and**
- (6) a cover flange integrally formed with the right cover wall and extending outward in a generally perpendicular direction from the right cover wall, and
- (7) a reinforcement rib extending from the front cover wall to the back cover wall; and

(c) a hinge, the cover flange integrally formed with the platform along the hinge whereby the cover can be swung from an open position to a closed position about the hinge.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Original) The holder of claim 11 wherein cut score lines extend partially through the thickness of the hinge to easily detach the cover from the platform along the hinge.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Original) The holder of claim 13 wherein for each receptacle the first receptacle wall has an integrally formed first protrusion to narrow the width at the first protrusion.

16. (Original) The holder of claim 15 wherein for each receptacle the second receptacle wall has an integrally formed second protrusion to narrow the width at the second protrusion.

17. (Original) The holder of claim 16 wherein the first protrusion and the second protrusion narrow the width at a common distance along the length.

18. (Original) The holder of claim 17 wherein the common distance is at a midpoint of the length.

19. (Original) The holder of claim 17 wherein the common distance is offset from the midpoint by one-quarter of the length.

20. (Original) The holder of claim 19 wherein for each receptacle the first receptacle wall has an integrally formed third protrusion at a distance offset from the midpoint by one-quarter of the length on the side of the midpoint opposite that of the first protrusion and the second receptacle wall has an integrally formed fourth protrusion at a distance offset from the midpoint by one-quarter of the length on the side of the midpoint opposite that of the second protrusion.

21. (Currently Amended) A holder suitable for holding name badges, comprising:

(a) a platform formed of a single sheet of thin, flexible, thermoformed plastic material, the platform comprising

(1) a top wall, the top wall having an exterior peripheral edge and the top wall comprising a plurality of integrally formed receptacles disposed below the top wall, each receptacle comprising

(i) a peripheral edge having a width and a length and defining a slot in the top wall;

(ii) a first receptacle wall extending down from the top wall along a first edge of the peripheral edge to a first depth below the top wall;

(iii) a second receptacle wall extending down from the top wall along a second edge of the peripheral edge to a second depth below the top wall, the second depth less than or equal to the first depth; and

(iv) a bottom connecting the first receptacle wall to the second receptacle wall, the width defined by the distance across the slot between the first receptacle wall and the second receptacle wall, the length defined by the distance across the slot in the direction perpendicular to the width;

(2) a support integrally formed with the top wall along the exterior peripheral edge of the top wall and extending downward from the top wall to a depth greater than or equal to the first depth; and

(3) a flange integrally formed with and extending outward from the support;

(b) a cover formed of the single sheet of thin, flexible, thermoformed plastic material, the cover comprising

(1) a ceiling;

(2) a cover support integrally formed with the ceiling and extending downward from the ceiling to form an opening with a cover interior peripheral edge generally matching the exterior peripheral edge of the top wall; and

(3) a cover flange integrally formed with the cover support and extending outward from the cover support; and

(4) a reinforcement rib extending from a first edge of the ceiling to a second edge of the ceiling, the second edge opposed to the first edge; and

(c) a hinge, the cover flange integrally formed with the flange along the hinge whereby the cover can be swung from an open position to a closed position about the hinge.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Original) The holder of claim 21 wherein cut score lines extend partially through the thickness of the hinge to easily detach the cover from the platform along the hinge.

24. (Canceled)

25. (Original) The holder of claim 23 wherein for each receptacle the first receptacle wall has an integrally formed first protrusion to narrow the width at the first protrusion.

26. (Original) The holder of claim 25 wherein for each receptacle the second receptacle wall has an integrally formed second protrusion to narrow the width at the second protrusion.

27. (Original) The holder of claim 26 wherein the first protrusion and the second protrusion narrow the width at a common distance along the length.

28. (Original) The holder of claim 27 wherein the common distance is at a midpoint of the length.

29. (Original) The holder of claim 27 wherein the common distance is offset from the midpoint by one-quarter of the length.

30. (Original) The holder of claim 29 wherein for each receptacle the first receptacle wall has an integrally formed third protrusion at a distance offset from the midpoint by one-quarter of the length on the side of the midpoint opposite that of the first protrusion and the second receptacle wall has an integrally formed fourth protrusion at a distance offset from the midpoint by one-quarter of the length on the side of the midpoint opposite that of the second protrusion.